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By Lt. Col. Jonathan

43rd Mission Support

Upon the 43rd

Airlift Wing's projected deactivation date of March 1, 2011, its relationship

will end with various organizations affiliated

with Pope. For example, private organizations and contractors will find their

relationship terminated

next year in advance of the wing's future status.

Feb. 25 with these kinds of

organizations to discuss the wing's Base Realignment

their relationship and what they need to do for their

and Closure impact on

organization in terms of

leases, agreements and

status. About 60 people

attended, representing 15

different organizations.

A meeting was held on

over the course of the

Wright

Group

Pope Airmen Report from the Front

379th **EAES** provides peace of mind to war fighters

By Senior Airman Kris Levasseur **Editor**

Their mission is straightforward, 'Exceptional Airmen providing responsive, flexible, compassionate and life-saving aeromedical evacuation across the theater,' but the execution of that mission requires the combined effort of members from aeromedical evacuation squadrons around the globe.

Col. Barbara Jones, 379th Expeditionary Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron Commander, who is deployed from Pope, leads the squadron made up of 10 members from Pope and more than 20 members from active-duty, Air Force Reserve Command and the Air National Guard.

"We have four medical aircrews and one critical care air transport team." said Colonel Jones. "The aircrews are made up of five members; two flight nurses and three AE technicians. Once in theater, we deliberately blend crews to leverage the unique experience and advanced qualifications of each sending



Brig. Gen. Stephen Wilson, 379th Air Expeditionary Wing Commander, assists Staff Sgt. George Elliott, 379th Expeditionary Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron team member deployed from Pope, in loading a patient litter onto a truck March 3.

squadron's team. The blended total force ground and flight crews function like a well-oiled machine," she added. "No one would guess they only met each other less than two months ago."

The squadron is responsible for providing in-hospital-quality routine and intensive critical care to injured and ill combat war fighter's onboard fixedwing aircraft between forwardoperating bases and patient collection hubs and more equipped and capable hospitals in theater or out of theater. They also return recovered war

fighters back to their bases and FOBs when their treatment is complete.

"This is my first deployment and it's been a steep learning curve," said Senior Airman Erika Holt, 379th EAES technician, also deployed from Pope. "Tve only been in AE since June of last year. It's a lot of information to retain but it's also very interesting. Doing AE isn't something most health services management technicians get the opportunity to do. Most of us are at a clinic or hospital which was where I came

"It's nice to see noncommissioned officer's and senior non-commissioned officer's that have been in AE and flying most of their careers mentoring the inexperienced flyers."

Members of the squadron train extensively at their home station in order to execute their mission flawlessly.

"At Pope, we mostly fly training missions, unless a realworld situation comes up, like recently with Haiti," said Colonel Jones. "We simulate many things when it comes to patient care.

Our patients are mannequins. We train hard and practice medical and aircraft emergency response procedures again and again."

Colonel Jones added that their patient loads are significantly different as well.

"We train with five 'patients' poard at all times," she added. "Here in the area of responsibility, we can have 25 or more. Our patients are real ... very real Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Department of

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Frank Laras, 43rd AW BRAC office, outlined the 43rd AW BRAC plans and timeline. He was followed by Nelson Pendleton who represented 43rd Civil Engineer Squadron Real Property Office. He discussed leases and licenses. Representing 43rd Logistics Readiness Squadron was Beth Zimmer. She addressed the need to rewrite, terminate and transfer memorandum of understandings and memorandum of agreements. Betty Crain represented 43rd Force Support Squadron and Michael Amarosa

represented Fort Bragg's

Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation. Together, they discussed future

concessionaire agreements,

organizations and the Fort

oversight of private

Bragg MWR programs. Organizations who currently have a lease relationship with the 43rd AW will receive a notification letter about the upcoming lease termination. Instructions will be provided on who to contact at Fort Bragg DPW

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Aerial Porters continue deployed mission

Story and photo by 2nd Lt. Cammie Quinn Staff writer

Fifteen members of the 3rd Aerial Port Squadron said goodbye to their families and friends before leaving for a six-month deployment to Camp Bastion, Afghanistan on March 10.

While deployed, the Airmen of the 3rd APS or "Port Dawgs," as they are called, will upload and download all of the cargo coming in to the base. Camp Bastion is the

main British military base in Afghanistan and is located in a remote desert area close to the capital in the Helmand province.

The 3rd APS members deploy as a team and coordinate with the Navy, Marines, and Army to accomplish their mission.

Before leaving, the Airmen were able to speak with family members during a squadron

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Staff Sgt. Daniel Blest, 3rd Aerial Port Squadron, kisses his daughter, Rebekah Blest, 2 months, good-bye at the 3rd APS deployment ceremony here March 10. Fifteen members from 3rd APS left for a six-month deployment to Camp Bastion, Afghanistan.

UP NEXT:

Carolina Flyer last issue

The March 26 issue of the Carolina Flyer will be the last printed issue of the Pope newspaper, ending a more than 65-year run as a source of command information for Airmen and their families. As a tribute to its stellar career in supporting Pope, its Airmen and their families, a special history feature will be included as well as information on how Airmen and their families will be able to keep up to date on Pope command information in the future.

Special needs support group social A support group For more information,

for families with special needs is gathering at the Airman and Family Readiness Center March 26 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. Two guest speakers are scheduled to attend and speak at the event.

visit the AFRC facebook account under the name PopeEFMP@gmail.com, view the EIM page titled Special Needs Program or call Maj. Darrick Cunningham at 394-4700.

Eye on safety

DUI Tracker

DUI tracking is current as of Wednesday

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AADD Saves	

This week 11

This year 30



For a free, anonymous ride home midnight to 6 a.m. Friday to Sunday, call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 394-AADD/2233.

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sining Pope's Finest

Each week the 43rd Airlift Wing highlights outstanding Airmen

ol. James Johnson, 43rd Commander, presented his Commander's Coin to Staff Sergeant Joshua Wells, 43rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, for his exceptional performance beyond the call of duty.

Sergeant Wells is an Aerospace Maintenance Craftsman and performs onequipment maintenance on C-130, C-17 and C-5 aircraft. Recently, he



Col. James Johnson, 43rd Airlift Wing Commander, presented the commander's coin to Staff Sgt. Joshua Wells, 43rd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, for his exceptional performance beyond the call of duty.

was handpicked as the squadron's technical administrator. Besides overseeing all maintenance operating instructions and policies for the 43rd Operations Group, Sgt. Wells maintains the unit's automated data processing equipment accounts, manages the government travel card program for 98 personnel, and is one of three certified maintenance resource management instructors for Pope.

Sergeant Wells received the 43rd AMXS Knucklebuster of the Quarter Award and while deployed to Ali Al Salem, Kuwait, he earned the **Quality Assurance Zero** Defect Award.

When not at work, Sergeant Wells is pursuing his bachelor's degree in education and his long-term goals include becoming a high school math teacher. He is actively engaged in the community and

is a member of his neighborhood watch program which lowered crime in the area by 34 percent for 37 families.

On or off the flightline, Sergeant Wells constantly demonstrates his willingness to accept any challenge and then he exceeds every expectation. His "can-do" attitude separates him from his peers and making him the epitome of excellence and what it means to be a noncommissioned officer.

Commander's Helpline

The Commander's Helpline is your direct link to Col. James C. Johnson, 43rd Airlift Wing Commander. If you have worked through normal channels and aren't satisfied, Helplines are an opportunity to ask questions, compliment someone or make suggestions. You must include a name and phone number for a response. Helplines of general interest will be published in the Caro-



lina Flyer, others will be answered by letter or phone call. Remember, the most efficient way to solve a problem is to talk directly to the responsible office or follow your chain of

You can call the Commander's Helpline at 394-4357 or email to commanders.helpline@pope.af.mil.

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Air Mobility Airmen continue to answer the call

by Gen. Raymond E. Johns, Jr. AMC Commander

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. — When the President announced 30,000 more U.S. troops were needed in Afghanistan, it was no surprise that mobility Airmen would play a major role in helping make this a reality. In fact, many of you at home and abroad have already worked overtime to ensure the first wave of troops reached Afghanistan safely and quickly.

Without affecting your day-to-day operations, you have already airlifted 3,711 U.S. Marines into Afghanistan's area of operations. Although AMC's continued efforts will likely require the full complement of our available airlifters and tankers, I am very aware it's not just the iron, but

our Total Force Airmen and civilians who make the mission happen. You have been working at an incredible pace for the past eight years, and now your country is once again asking to "surge" so we may defeat those who oppose our freedom.

When I assumed command, I said I couldn't be prouder to be your commander. I was wrong. These past few months, I have experienced this command's global mission first hand, and I can now say with confidence that I grow prouder of you each and every day. Please know, I thank you and your families for all you continue to do every day to safely and smartly deliver on our promise to provide Unrivaled Global Reach for America ... Always.



History Corner

By Dan Knickrehm 43rd Airift Wing Historian

1st. Lt. Ward F. "Crash" Robinson

When I first came to Pope as the historian, one of the first things I saw was the Pope archives. Located in the basement of Bldg. 306, the contents were badly in need of attention. Some of the items in that room were obviously not intended to be saved and were of little or no significance to Pope. Some of the items were obviously important and some were questionable. One of those questionable items turned out to be quite interesting.

I remember seeing a tall trophy/urn sort of thing. It was, and pretty much still is, ugly at first glance. Further inspection revealed that it was tarnished because it was silver plated and that it was from 1927. A few months after I reluctantly moved it to the new archives location in the Wing Headquarters building, I ran across a photo of a young flying man and the story about the connection between this dashing young man, the

trophy and the North Carolina community began to come together.

1st. Lt. Ward "Crash" Robinson won this trophy while flying plane AS-68656 from Fort Bragg in the Army Observation Plane Race on May 28, 1927. I thought it might be interesting to follow up on this story and see if there was something more to it. Because the trophy says it was given to "Crash" by the High Point Chamber of Commerce, I went to them first. They referred me to a librarian, who referred me to another librarian who referred me ... well you get the idea. My curiosity began to pay off as responses came in. One librarian sent me an article about the races. More than 10,000 people turned out to see these races held near Greensboro and Winston-Salem. Another historian filled in the blanks when he wrote: "these activities took place May 28, 1927 at the dedication of Lindley Airport, located about 10 miles West of Greensboro — the site of present-day Piedmont Triad International Airport. In September of that year, the cities of Greensboro and High



Point and the county of Guilford purchased the land for the airport from its private owner. For the May 28, 1927 event, it is likely that the two cities shared providing gifts to the winners of races."

This example shows how engaged Pope has been with the surrounding community. A turn-out of 10,000 people to see airplane races was pretty good for those days. The more time I spend learning about Pope, the more I find out how important the community has been to the Airmen stationed

here. I am confident there is much more to learn about Pope and its involvement in the community and I look forward to exploring that avenue of research. I know there are many readers from the surrounding community and these are potentially some of the most interesting sources of information about Pope. Feel free to contact me if you have information about Pope history.

For more information regarding Pope history, contact Dan Knickeram at 394-1557.

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43rd CONS changes command

Lt. Col. Michael Everton, 43rd Contracting Squadron, Commander takes command of 43rd CONS from Lt. Col. Jonathan Wright, 43rd Mission Support

Colonel Everton returned to active duty after nine years in the Air Force Reserves. He served his final position with the Reserves with the U.S. Joint Forces Command where he was a Joint Network Control Officer. As 43rd CONS, Commander, he now leads 36 personnel who provide contracting support to ensure the mission accomplishment of the 43rd Airlift Wing and its tenant

Colonel Wright's next assignment is Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.



Staff Sgt. Sidney Crawford, 43rd Contracting Squadron, and Lt. Col. Michael Everton, 43rd CONS, Commander, review contracts here March 17. Lt. Col. Everton assumed command of the 43rd CONS from Lt. Col. Wright in a ceremony on March 15.

Airman continues family tradition

Photo and story by **Rhonda Griffin** Staff writer

For many who serve our country, military life is all they know. They were raised in it and then, when they were old enough to make decisions about their own futures, they chose to continue the family's military tradition. That is the story of Major Maria Morgan, Flight Commander, Education and Training Flight, 43rd Medical Group.

Major Morgan's father, Air Force Lt. Col. (Ret.) Dan Morgan, was working for Douglas Aircraft when World War II broke out. He made the decision to enlist in the U.S. Army, where he volunteered with the 551st Parachute Infantry Battalion that was organized in Fort Benning, Ga., in 1942. After an injury, he transferred to a Tank Destroyer Unit. After the war ended, he met his bride-to-be, Jo, in Washington, D.C.

The couple married and had eight children, five of which carried on the family's military tradition in different branches of service. Colonel Morgan went from the Army to the Army Air Corps Reserves after being chosen for pilot training. In later years, the Air Corps became the U.S. Air

Force. Along with his



(Left to right) Master Sgt. Joseph Riffle, 43rd Aerospace Medicine Squadron, and Staff Sgt. Samihah Prude, 43rd Medical Group, go over a report with Maj. Maria Morgan, 43rd MDG Education and Training Flight Commander in her office March 15.

lengthy career as an Air Force Reservist, he also served his country in other aspects, including working for the Central Intelligence Agency and the U.S. Customs Service. Mrs. Morgan also held positions with the government, including working as a linguist for the CIA.

"My mother worked in federal service for 26 years, and was even named the 1976 Federal Employee Woman of the Year," Major Morgan said.

The major has many memories of growing up in a military household, including when the family lived in Huntsville, Ala., during the race riots. Because of their strong feelings against segregation, Major Morgan's parents enrolled all eight of the

children in an integrated private school.

"We attended a private Catholic school," she said. "My mother took a job at the school to help protect the

children." Colonel Morgan, along with several members of the 551st, worked together to preserve the history of the unit, which was once all but forgotten. Their efforts marked the battalion's place in history, and several memorials and honors for the men have been placed in the U.S., Belgium and France, including a memorial stone at the Airborne and Special Operations Museum in Fayetteville.

In 1984, Colonel Morgan authored a book, "Left Corner of My Heart," to help conserve

the history of the 551st Parachute Infantry Battalion. He passed

away in 2002. During her recent promotion ceremony in February, Major Morgan's older brother, U.S. Navy (Ret.) Commander Ric Morgan, conducted her swearing in. Her other military siblings are Army Sgt. Daniel Morgan, Air Force Captain (Ret.) Suzy Corcoran and Air Force Staff Sgt. Bill Morgan. Her son, Senior Airman Chris Morgan, is currently deployed to Bagram where he serves as a Forward Communications Site Specialist. He is assigned to Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base, Ala.

"I was nine years enlisted and I took a break in service," Major Morgan said of her

career. "At the time, my active duty husband and I got orders to two different countries.

"I was three months pregnant and I would've been raising a child as a single mom," she added. "Much has changed for dual military couples these days!"

During her break, she was a stay-at-home mom and worked with Army and Air Force **Exchange Services** before enrolling in nursing school. Though she separated from the Air Force as a computer programmer and the NCO in charge of the SR-71 Blackbird Post **Mission Programming** Branch, she wanted to change the direction of her career path.

She came back 12 years later as a nurse with a background in trauma and burn management. Now she gets to help others expand their training and pursue educational experiences to challenge themselves, she said.

"With the upcoming BRAC and a PCS to England just around the corner, I'm more excited about my job and possibilities than ever before," Major Morgan added. "I've been asked many times why I made the military my career and I always say the same thing - I can't imagine any better way to have spent my life."

Pope public Web gets facelift

By Senior Airman Kris Levasseur

If you have been here for any length of time, you should be familiar with the Carolina Flyer and the Pope public Web site. From the time I arrived here, my professional life has revolved around producing quality news stories and information for the Carolina Flyer, but as some of you may know, our famed newspaper will be going away.

same quality information is made available to Pope members, the local community and interested parties around the world via the Pope public Web site. Along with the transition

Do not worry though, the

from the newspaper to the Web, several new functions and tools will be added to the site to increase usability and ensure everyone here receives the information they need.

In an effort to increase the accessibility of important news and information, top stories are viewed under the 'Top Stories' section. Other information sections include Features, which are stories that cover the lighter side of Pope; Perspectives, which are stories much like this one that are written by the subject matter expert allowing them to put a personal touch on it; and Air Mobility Command Headlines and Air Force Headlines.

Pope is a very busy base. Our people are always on the move, working to complete the mission and we do not always have time to sit back and read the stories. Each story will now feature a new function for the Airman on the go. A 'Story at a glance' function has been added to allow readers to get the gist of a story, without actually having to read the entire story. The 'Story at a glance' is a bullet-point format summation of the information contained within

Not interested in reading our icles? Well, the site offers more than just information and news stories. Our Web site boasts a wide variety of photos of the mission and Airmen doing what they do best. Visitors can also check the local weather, base movie listings and find useful contacts to base organizations.

These are just a few of the features offered on the site. Several new features are being created and designed for our Web site even as I'm writing this article. In the future, our readers can expect a few more plans that will come as a surprise, but we also value the input of our readers. We have already received a few suggestions from interested members of Pope, which inspired the addition of a link from Pope's EIM site directly to our news page. To make a suggestion, contact us at 394-4183 or email it to Carolina.flyer@ pope.af.mil.

Our goal is to provide top quality news and information to the base population. All these changes are made for you, our customers.

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POPE TALKS

By Rhonda Griffin

Staff writer

What woman has had the most impact in history?



"Pocahontas."

— Jue Pettitt Military Marketing

Specialist



"Harriett Tubman. She risked her life to help free slaves by leading the Underground Railroad."

— Senior Airman Gerami Brown 43rd Logistics Readiness Squadron



"Michelle Obama, she has her own life and is not joined at the hip to her husband."

— Senior Airman Christina Shannon 43rd Security Forces Squadron



"Betsy Ross, without her, where would our flag be?"."

Senior Airman
 Joseph Turner
 2nd Airlift Squadron

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Defense civilians and contractors. We even transport some of our coalition partners.

"We don't pretend or simulate anything out here," she said. "Our patients have real injuries, not moulage. They have extreme pain, and sometimes it's hard to make it stop with the medications on order. Nearly every landing is a combat landing, and we often operate at night. We wear flack vests, helmets and carry weapons. We don't invite or welcome medical or aircraft emergencies like we do on Pope trainers. If they happen, then we're trained and ready."

The squadron receives air tasking orders from the Combined Air Operations Center's AE Control Team at least twice a week to perform frequency missions in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. They also stand on alert. The alerts they receive are unscheduled missions that arise due to patient requirements.

"When tasked for an alert mission, the patient's condition is of such criticality that they can't wait until our next frequency mission to receive treatment and care," Colonel Jones added. "Oftentimes, these patients are so significantly ill or injured that they require the skills of our CCATT team. It is not unusual to launch a C-17 to retrieve a critically injured soldier from a FOB in Iraq and transport them directly to Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany. Our AE and CCATT crews provide life-saving stabilization and care throughout the flight."

According to Brig. Gen.
Stephen Wilson 379th Air
Expeditionary Wing Commander
in a recent blog entry, "I walked
away from my 379 EAES visit
thinking, 'what an amazing group
of Airmen we have there.' The
passion and pride they have in
saving lives and taking care of
people would warm the heart of
every American who met them
... it sure did mine ... and I'm
sure proud to have them on our
team!"

Colonel Jones said, because of the professionalism and dedication of every member of her squadron, service members performing their duties know that if they needed it, they would receive medical care from the best.

"We're here saving lives and in doing so, we're preserving combat capability," said Colonel Jones. "We underwrite the security of the battle field by giving our war fighters peace of mind that if they become injured, AE professionals will speed to their side and evacuate them to a level of medical care they require. We give confidence to the battlefield commander; if their unit falls under enemy fire and/or sustain casualties, they know with confidence AE stands ready and capable to move them out of harm's way.

"We offer hope and peace of mind to the families of our war fighters and the American people," she added. "If their loved one, their friend, or their neighbor is significantly ill or injured during their service to our nation, they can be comforted knowing we are on the job and will bring them home safely."

Deploys: 3rd APS prepared for mission as they ready for deployment

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pre-deployment ceremony."It's my responsibility to take care of our team and I want everyone to come home safe. We're going to do good things over there," said 1st Lt. Josh Meyer, 3rd APS team leader.

Communication with family members was a running theme throughout the night, as the Airmen were reminded to keep in touch with family.

"It will help the time go by faster," said Chief Master Sgt. Patton Scales, 3rd APS chief enlisted manager.

Deangela Gee, wife of Tech. Sgt. Homer Gee, 3rd APS, is comfortable knowing that she and her son will be taken care of while Sergeant Gee is deployed. She was able to rely on 3rd APS leadership for a family emergency while her husband was deployed last time. "The leadership was very responsive when I needed help." The Airmen are well trained and prepared for the deployment, said Lt. Col. Frank Flores, 3rd APS commander. Colonel Flores recently returned from a year-long deployment at Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan.

"I'm proud of my Port Dawgs and what they're able to accomplish over there," said Colonel Flores. "I know what they're going through and my thoughts go out to their families.

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to establish a new lease.

The process of establishing a new lease could last from 60 days to 12 months. It is recommended to start early instead of waiting to the last minute.

Organizations that have a MOU or MOA with the wing will need to terminate it, and either revise or transfer it to Fort Bragg.

Ms. Zimmer is available at 394-3194 to help any organization in this process.

Private organizations remaining at Pope post-BRAC need to establish their PO with Fort Bragg Directorate of FMWR. In 2011, all POs will receive notification that their charters will terminate Feb. 15, 2011 from the 43rd FSS's resource management section. In January 2011, units can start requesting permission from the Fort Bragg Garrison

Commander to operate their POs for activation of March 1, 2011. To do so, POs must request to operate on the installation through an official memorandum stating the purpose of the organization and its contribution to the military community. In order gain approval, the PO should provide a copy of the current constitution and/or by-laws, and tax exempt Form 501C. Contact Celeste Scott at 396-9004, or celeste.scott@us.army.mil.

Finally, those organizations with concessionaire agreements will need to establish a relationship with Fort Bragg FMWR as soon as possible, since their concessionaire agreements will be affected by either transferring to Fort Bragg or termination. Fort Bragg FMWR may assume certain programs while AAFES may have the first right of refusal on other programs. For details about concessionaire agreements, call Ms. Crain at 394-4721.

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Briefs

ALS graduation

The Chief Master Sgt. Louis Williams Airman Leadership School Class 10-C graduates with a banquet March 30 at the Pope Club. Cocktails are at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:30 p.m. Attire for active duty is mess dress or semi-formal and evening wear for civilians. The cost is \$14 for club members and \$16 for non-members. If you were invited by an ALS student, RSVP directly to the student today.

Endurance Relay "Running down a dream" The Company Grade Officers are hosting a 12 and 24 - hour endurance relay and Strong Airman Competition April 28 -29 to raise money for the Air Force Assistance Fund. The relay requires teams to keep one of their participants on the track for the set length of time and the team as a whole to get as many laps as possible. Team captains can register for the events now at **https://eim.amc.af.mil**/ org/43aw/PHP/EnduranceRun/ default.aspx. For more information, call 1st Lt. Chad

Pope Tax Center

Warner at 394-3862.

The Pope Tax Center is now open in the first floor of Bldg. 285, located at 5452 Reilly Road. For more information or appointments, call 394-2834.

Alive at 25

Alive at 25 training for young drivers is March 27 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Airman and Family Readiness Center. For more information, call 394-

Smooth Move Seminar

A seminar to assist service members and families who are separating, retiring or going through a permanent change of station in the next four to six months is March 25 from 9 a.m. until noon. To register, call the AFRC at 394-2538.

Hot Shots Weekend

Hot Shots Weekend is March 26 at 7 p.m. and March 27 at 4 p.m. at the Harnett County Agriculture Center in Lillington for youth ages 13 to 18. Registration fee for the "lock in-style" event is \$15 and covers insurance, meals and activity supplies. Deadline to enter is March 19 and registration is non-refundable. Check or money order should be mailed to Harnett County 4-H, P.O. Box 1089, Lillington, N.C. 27546.For more information or to register, call 4-H Agent Lynn Lambert at 910-893-7532.

Military Youth Football Game

Military youth and their families get in free at the 2010 Kay Yow Spring Red vs White football game April 17. Kickoff is 1 p.m. at Carter-Finley Stadium in Raleigh. After the game, military families are invited onto the field to meet the players, coaches and staff. The event is hosted by the N.C. Operation Military Kids and N.C. State University Athletics. For more information, call 919-515-8500.

Golf Tournament

The 4th annual Gryphon Golf Tournament is April 16 at the Chicora County Club in Dunn. The four-person Captain's Choice format has two tee time choices of 7 a.m. or 11 a.m. The entry fee of \$35 per person includes the green fee and cart, lunch, raffle ticket, goody bag for all players and a chance to win door prizes. The event is open to all military and civilian personnel. For more

information or to enter, e-mail 43AES/CCS-02@pope.af.mil or call 394-5965.

Intramural Soccer

The 2010 Intramural Soccer League begins March 29. The coaches meeting is March 24 at 1 p.m. at the Fitness Center. Letters of intent are due no later than March 24. For more information, contact Senior Airman Christian Pagan or Airman 1st Class Kip Oslie at 394-2671.

Push Up Challenge

Pope's Top 3 Push Up and Sit Up Challenge is from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. March 26 at the Fitness Center. Pledges are collected for push ups and sit ups in one or both events. Money collected goes to the Pope Top 3 Association to support Airmen. For more information, call 394-2671.

PSA Scholarship

The Pope Spouses' Association invites dependents of active duty or retired Air Force members within a 50mile radius of Pope to apply for the 2010 Pope Scholastic Achievement Scholarship. The three award categories include graduating high school seniors (\$750 to \$2,000 awards), continuing students (\$750 to \$2,000 awards) and spouses (\$750 to \$1,500 awards). Include "Scholarship" in the subject line. Applications for high school students are available through high school guidance offices. Postmark deadline is April 1. E-mailed, faxed or hand delivered applications will not be accepted. To receive an application, contact the PSA at popespousesassociation@ yahoo.com.

AFROTC Scholarship

The Scholarship for

Outstanding Airmen program allows commanders the opportunity to select outstanding active duty Airmen for an ROTC scholarship. If selected, Airmen will be discharged from active duty to pursue a commission through AFROTC. The scholarship pays for college tuition and fees, plus a textbook allowance. A monthly, non-taxable allowance is also earned during the school year. Air Mobility Command has nine quotas for Scholarships for Outstanding Airmen, with Sept. 15 being the established

deadline for applications to be

received at major command.

For more information, call the

Education Center at 394-4692.

Yadkin Road **HOV Lane**

The right in-bound lane at the Yadkin Road Access Control Point is now for High Occupancy Vehicles only. Vehicles must have two or more occupants in order to take advantage of this lane. The designated HOV lane is in effect Monday through Friday, between 5:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Drivers who violate the HOV restrictions will be turned around at the gate and will be subject to a \$100 citation. For more information, call 907-5301/396-5387

Family Advocacy Program

Pope's Family Advocacy Program offers tools to build strong and healthy family relationships. Some services offered include a new parent support program, marital counseling, parenting classes, anger management classes, family violence prevention training, effective communication, sleep disorder management and stress management. For more information, call 394-

Airmen in action



PHOTOS BY 2ND LT. CAMMIE QUINT



Senior Airman Jason Abney, 43rd Logistics Readiness Squadron, passes the basketball to a teammate as Airman Jason Abney and Airman Marwin Luna, 43rd Medical Group, attempts an interception during the intramural basketball championships March 15. The 43rd LRS won the game, with a score of 47 to 28.

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LOCAL

Helping children get a 'Head Start'

Story and photos by 2nd Lt. Cammie Quinn 43rd Airlift Wing Public Affairs

Editors Note: To volunteer with the Head Start program, contact the Head Start office at 323-5181.

The children of a local child development center received a surprise visit from two of Pope and Fayetteville's leaders March 11.

Lt. Col. Terri Bailey,
43rd Medical Operations
Squadron Commander, and
Robert Hines, 43rd MDOS
Honorary Commander and
President and Chief Executive
Officer of United Way in
Cumberland County, teamed
up to read children's books
to the students of the Head
Start program in Fayetteville.

"I love the interaction I have with the kids," said Mr. Hines. As an active volunteer, Mr. Hines began visiting the school four years ago, and makes an effort to visit the program at least three times each year.

Reading to the children increases their literacy, and lets them see that reading can be fun, said Colonel Bailey. "It's also a way to provide the children with a positive role model," she added.

Mr. Hines also has an appreciation for volunteering with the children's program.

"I like to teach the children to enjoy reading books," said Mr. Hines. "I encourage them to read at home, and if they can't read, I encourage them to ask a family member to read to them."

Mr. Hines also likes being able to send the children home with a lesson to consider.

"Without knowing how to read, how are you going to know what cookie you're eating from the store?" Mr. Hines asked.

In asking this question, Mr. Hines was able to make reading personally applicable to each student, making reading important in their own lives.

Colonel Bailey, who wore her Air Force blues uniform, said she appreciates how the children react to seeing her in uniform.

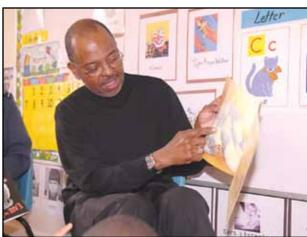
"It's a good opportunity to expose the children to the idea of the military, especially as a way to pay for their college education," the colonel said.

Head Start is a child development program that provides educational and social opportunities for income-eligible children between the ages of 0 to 5 years. The program is designed to prepare children with essential skills needed to enter the public school system.

Head Start programs promote school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children by providing educational, nutritional, social and other services to both enrolled children and their families.

"We provide classes to pregnant mothers on how to properly provide for their child," said Chelshi Carr, Head Start On-site Supervisor. "We also have





Lt. Col. Terri Bailey, 43rd Medical Operations Squadron Commander, top, and Robert Hines, 43rd MDOS honorary commander and President and Chief Executive Officer of United Way in Cumberland County, bottom, read children's books to students in a Head Start classroom in Fayetteville on March 11.

learning accomplishment profiles for each child, which we use to determine the progress of our students and chart their development before entering elementary school."

Volunteering is important to Colonel Bailey, who makes an effort to coordinate between herself and the squadron's honorary commander as often as possible in order to give back to the Pope community.

"I enjoy every chance
I get to come out and
volunteer," said Colonel
Bailey. "It's a good way to
break up the work week and
give back to the community.
I like working with Mr. Hines
and seeing the children,
it gives me a different
perspective and I always
learn something new when
I'm here."



The 43
Aeromedical
Evacuation Squadron
is honoring its board
certified nurses today
for Certified Nurses
Day. They are recognized
for their professionalism,
leadership and commitment
to excellence in their chosen
specialty. Certified nurses and
certifications held are listed
below:

- Col. Barbara Jones Nursing Administration
- Lt. Col. Kevin Poitinger, Nursing Administration
- Maj. Artemus Aramas Emergency Nursing
- Maj. John Connelly
- Medical Surgical Nursing
 Maj. Kerry Barshinger
- Vascular Nursing

 Maj. Taylor Rose
- Medical Surgical Nursing
 Maj. Kimberly
- Coleman, Certified Legal Nurse Consultant
- Maj. Michael MacLain Medical Surgical Nursing
- Maj. Lewis Wilber Medical Surgical Nursing
- Capt. Vanessa Moses

- Maternal Child Nursing
 Capt. Aleacha Philson
- Medical Surgical Nursing
- Capt. Douglas Stiles Medical Surgical Nursing
- Capt. Terry Winnett Medical Surgical Nursing
- Capt. Elizabeth Taillon Perianesthesia Nursing
- Capt. Ryan Smithers
- Medical-Surgical Nurse
- Medical-Surgical Nurse ■ Capt Jena Meyer
- Capt. Jena Meyer Medical-Surgical Nurse
- Capt. Samantha Drew Acute Care Nurse
- Practitioner

 Capt. Ann Adams

 Pediatric Nursing
- Capt. April Kelly Maternal Newborn

Nursing



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Most dangerous time to ride your motorcycle?

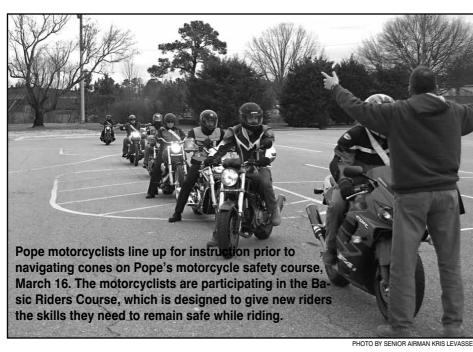
By Raymond Shupe 43rd Airlift Wing Safety Office

When is the most dangerous time to ride a motorcycle? Is it at dusk, dawn, the morning commute or the evening commute? Is it during the summer months with its endless days? Perhaps it's during the fall season, when the beautiful foliage presents its kaleidoscope of colors.

Since we're only a few days away from spring, I was hoping you would figure it out ... ever heard the term "Spring Spike?" Recent studies conducted by the Air Force Safety Center indicate the spike is cause by motorcycle fatalities doubling in the spring.

The question is why spring? What makes this time of year more deadly to a motorcyclist? Most experts like to say it's because of the layoff some folks have over the winter months ... skills can get rusty. Another possibility is car and truck drivers, not used to seeing motorcyclists, have gotten used to not looking for them (as if we all know they do anyway.)

Whatever the reason, all motorcycle riders know the act of riding is inherently a dangerous activity anyway. We're not as protected as the car and truck drivers are. We're less than 1,000



pounds combined weight and, for reasons I'm not quite sure about, most of us wear black so we really don't stand out. It's a good thing the Department of Defense requires us to wear some brightly-colored or reflective gear when riding. Personally, I want to be seen so I don't get run over.

Live to ride another day, that's my motto. I also want to ride with the skin I have now! There have been far too many technological advances in protective gear recently so there is no reason people should ride without them. When I see some knucklehead riding in a tank top, shorts and flip-flops, I just cringe. Road rash causes pain, people! I don't like pain ... it hurts!

Here's one more

interesting tidbit about driving that even four wheeled vehicle drivers should be aware of; the road is slickest the first few moments after it begins to rain. The reason for this is the rain mixes with the oil and other various chemicals from all the vehicles on the road that have traveled down it, creating an extremely slick surface.

For motorcycle riders, this creates more of an issue. Motorcycles project a small footprint in the first place, and traction is needed within every square inch of that footprint for us to remain vertical. Research on modern motorcycle tires shows that you will have 75 to 80 percent of maximum traction in wet weather.

The hazard from the aforementioned slick spot is hydroplaning. This is a major concern for four-wheeled vehicles so you must know it is for us. You can easily hydroplane on a bike and if you do, 99.99 percent of the time, you're going to crash.

So how do you avoid it? Experts suggest keeping speeds below 55 mph will reduce most of the risk. Riding in the track of the vehicles ahead can help as well, since they have displaced a bit of the water on the road. It's also a really good idea to be aware of what surface you're riding on ... steel plates across railroad tracks, grated metal bridges or freshly painted road markings are all much slicker surfaces than plain old asphalt.

New Base Environmental Policy

By 2nd Lt. Nicole Warner 43rd Civil Engineer

Squadron

The 43rd Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Flight is committed to providing the guidance and oversight to ensure Pope's impact on the environment is kept to a minimum. However, environmental protection and compliance is the responsibility of all members of the Pope community.

A person working in an office who recycles paper, aluminum cans and plastic bottles is just as vital in helping protect the environment as the Airman on the flightline who properly handles and disposes of jet fuel and oil. Although most of these actions are part of routine procedures for those conducting them, there is an underlying reason for their importance.

Shortly after taking command of the 43rd Airlift Wing, Col. James Johnson signed a new environmental policy letter for Pope. This new policy is being implemented as Pope's continuing efforts to satisfy the requirements of the International Standard Organizations 14001, the Plan-Do-Check-Act framework that all federal agencies use to manage their

environmental programs.

All personnel are required to be aware of the new policy and do their part to ensure the seven primary commitments are met. The commitments made in Pope's Environmental Policy are:

- Continue to implement our Environmental Management System
- Set and review environmental objectives and targets
- Promote conservation and sustainable use of materials
- Comply with legal and other requirements (e.g. AFIs)
 Continually improve
- environmental
 performance
 Integrate pollution
- prevention practices

 Promote
- Promote environmental awareness.

Proper procedures for implementing these commitments are already in place in most shops around the base, but continued awareness and emphasis on their importance ensures Pope's operations will continue to have minimal impact on the environment.

For more information related to the policy or their role in supporting the Pope EMS, contact your Unit Environmental Coordinator or the Base EMS Coordinator, Omega Weeks, at 394-1639.

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Pope Chapel

315 Ethridge Street 394-2677

Religious services

For bible studies call the chapel

Traditional

service: Sunday, 8 a.m. except

second Sundays

Contemporary service: Sunday, 11:30 a.m.

Protestant Combined

Worship:

11:30 a.m. the second Sunday of each month with potluck following services.

Sunday school (all ages):

10 a.m. at Pope Chapel Catholic

services:

Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and 5 p.m.; Daily Mass **Mondays and Tuesdays** at 11:30 a.m.

RCIA: Contact 394-1856

CCD:

1:15 a.m. at Pope

Elementary School Services

offered at

Fort Bragg Catholic

service: JFK Chapel, Ardennes Street, Saturday at 5 p.m. Confessions at 4

Muslim or Orthodox Christian services **Call the Fort Bragg** Chapel at 396-1121.

Officers' Christian Fellowship

Bible study on leadership, Wednesday at 6 a.m.

Jewish

services Contact the Faith **Community Chapel** Bldg. D-3733 Ardennes St. at 489-2094.

Wiccan ceremonies

The Watters Center on Fort Bragg holds an open circle Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

POPE SERVICES

Combat Support & Community Service

Kitty Hawk Inn

394-4377 UTA weekend Sat. and

Breakfast: 5:30 to 7:30

Lunch: 10:30 a.m to 1

p.m. Dinner: 4 to 7 p.m.

Monday - Friday Breakfast: 5:30 to 7 a.m. Lunch: 10:30 a.m to 1

p.m.

Dinner: 4 to 7 p.m. Weekends, Holidays and

downdays

Brunch: 7 a.m. to noon Supper: 4 to 6 p.m.

Habaneros' Mexican Grill

■ 394-4580 Breakfast

Mon. - Frid.: 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Lunch Daily: 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Information, Tickets and Travel

■ 394-4478 or 394-5462 Mon. - Fri.: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Library

394-2195

Mon. - Thurs.: 9:30 a.m. to

Friday: 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Story time

Fri.: Feel Better Stories, 4

Tues.: Feel Better Stories, 11 a.m.

Wood Shop

394-5049 Tues. - Thurs.: 1 to 8 p.m.

Friday and Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

School Age Programs

394-2869

Mon. - Fri.: 6 a.m. to 5:30

Auto Hobby/Equipment Rental

394-2293

Monday Closed Tues. thru Thurs.: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Fri. and Sat.: 9a.m to 5 p.m.

Community Center 394-2779

Closed for renovation

Bowling Center

394-2891 Mon. and Tues.: 11 a.m. to

Wed.: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. **Fri.:** 11 a.m. to 1 a.m. Sat.: 9 a.m. to midnight Sun. Holidays: 1 a.m. to 7

Willow Lakes Golf Course

■ 394-GOLF Closed

Fitness Center

394-2671

Mon. - Fri.: 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. Sat. and Sun.: 7 a.m. to 6

Holidays and family days: 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Frame and Design Arts

394-4192 Mon. and Tues.: 10 a.m. to Wed. and Thurs.: 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. **Fri.:** 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sat., Sun. and Holidays: Closed

Butler's Barber Shop

394-4387 Mon. - Fri.: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Mack's Barber Shop

436-7718

Mon. - Fri.: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Child Development

Center **■** 394-4323/2724

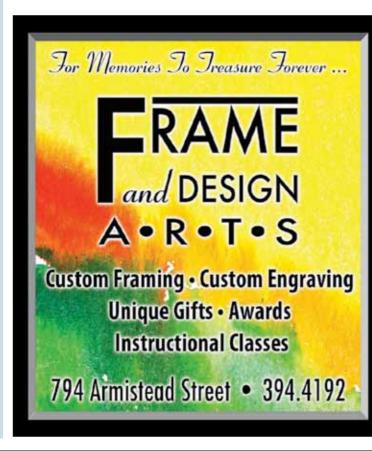
Mon. - Fri.: 6 a.m. to 5:30

For more information, call

Helenmarie Beaudion at

394-1189.

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Pope Civilian Personnel Office job listings

- **■** Fire Protection Inspector, GS-0081-08 Starting Annual Salary: \$43,519 **Description**: The purpose of this position is to perform fire prevention/ fire protection and inspection duties designed to detect and reduce or eliminate fire hazards in high fire expectancy area. Develops and conducts extensive fire protection and prevention education and training programs. ■ Social Services Asst, GS-0186-
- 07 Starting Annual Salary: \$39,295 **Description:** To conduct intake interviews with Family Advocacy Program clients, use advanced functions of word processing software and other FAP software to generate required FAP documents and reports. ■ Attorney, YA-0905-02 Salary Cap
- \$40,093-\$91,801 **Description**: To serve as a legal advisor who provides support to management officials services by Pope Air Force Base in areas of labor law, environmental law, government contract law and various other civil law matters and issues.
- Contract Specialist, GS-1102-09 Starting Annual Salary: \$48,066 **Description:** To serve as a contracting team leader and a warranted contracting officer. To provide business advice to the customer and perform all preward and postward functions, using a wide range of contracting methods and types, to procure complex and construction.
- **■** Air Transportation Specialist, **GS-2101-11** Starting Annual Salary: \$58,155 **Description**: The primary purpose of the position is to serve as an aerial delivery contract quality assurance evaluator and assistant operations officer. This position will validate and develop contract requirement documents, procurement evaluation standards government cost
- **■** IT Specialist, YA-2210-**02** Salary Cap: \$40,093-\$91,801

Description: Incumbent consults with customers to identify specific system requirements; analyze and refine system requirements; translate system requirements into application prototypes; write, debug and maintain code; determine and design application architecture; determine output media/formats; designing user interfaces; test applications; integrate hardware and software components; write and maintain program documentation; evaluate new applications software technologies; integrate systems components (procedures, databases, policies, software and hardware); plan system implementation. Incumbent analyzes, develops and sustains systems in support of core business processes supported by the Command Information Office. ■ IT Specialist, GS-2210-11 Starting

- Annual Salary: \$58,155 **Description**: To serve as the base Information Assurance Specialist who is the wing commander's authority and focal point for Information Assurance. Also manages the communication-computer security program, Air Force Electronic Key Management System, Emission Security and Information Assurance Awareness Programs.
- Secretary (Office Automation), **GS-0318-05** Starting Annual Salary: \$31,723 **Description**: To serve as the principal office assistant performing various clerical and administrative duties in support of the organization, performing office automation duties such as word processing in support of the clerical and administrative work. The Civilian Personnel office will provide updates each week.

To apply for the job vacancies listed above, visit the following Web sites: External applicants - www.usajobs. gov; Internal applicants - https:// ww2.afpc.randolph.af.mil/resweb/ search_by_state_nlo.asp.

Movies

Pope Theater Armistead, Pope

Friday: The Blind Side (PG-13) For Women's History Month, admission for all women courtesy of AAFES for all women attending this

Saturday: The Princess and the Frog (G) 4 p.m.; When in Rome (PG-13) 7 p.m.

Sunday: Alvin and the Chipmunks 2 (PG) 4 p.m.; Wolfman (R) 7 p.m.

(Courtesy of www.aafes.com)

Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1.50 for children 12 and

New Release



Alice in Wonderland

By Irvin Gourdine 43rd Airlift Wing Multimedia

We all know the story of Alice falling into the rabbit hole and finding herself in an imaginary fantasy world she calls Wonderland. With the help of Disney we get to see Wonderland through the eyes of director Tim Burton.

Keep in mind that Burton directed this film, so don't expect the warm-hearted kids' story you read. In fact, the film tells the story of Alice, played by Mia Wasikowska, who returns to Wonderland years later as an adult.

the children's classic story, the people of Wonderland need Alice to save their world from darker times. There's just a slight problem: Alice is unable to remember her childhood experience in Wonderland.

In this continuation of

To help bring life to one of the more memorable characters of Wonderland, Burton called upon an old friend, and a staple actor in most of his films, Johnny Depp. As the Mad Hatter, Depp is frighteningly colorful. Hatter and the

forest creatures must

help Alice regain

This new adaptation of the classic folk tale may not be kid friendly, but it will surely

tyranny.

her memory to save

Red Queen, played

by Helena Bonham-

given in Burton's

Carter, another casting

films. Bonham-Carter

nearly stole the show

from Deep with her

as the irrational diva

her way through

the fantasy world

and find the White

Queen, played by

Anne Hathaway,

who is the younger

sister of the evil Red

Queen, in order to

save Wonderland from

who rules Wonderland.

Alice must make

Wonderland from the

be one of the year's best movies. The graphics and scenery will blow you away, especially in 3D, and with such a great original story line and creditable cast to bring it all to life, you won't be left in incredible performance disappointment.

Starring:

Johnny Depp, Mia Wasikowska and Helena Bonham Carter. Rated: Rated PG

for fantasy action/ violence involving scary images and situations, and for a smoking caterpillar.

Check your local theater for times and listings.



Pope Community

Highlighting the events and people around Pope Air Force Base











43rd Airlift Wing Mission Statement

Support joint forces contingency outload and in-garrison operational/training requirements. Provide worldwide air mobility capabilities across the spectrum of military operations. Execute Pope's realignment in compliance with the BRAC mandate.

43rd Airlift Wing Vision Statement

The Air Force's Premier Airlift Group for Enroute Operations; Model for Joint and Total Force Partnerships; and establish Pope as a Sought-after place to work and live.

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Above: Senior Airman Hugo Minaya, 3rd Aerial Port Squadron, greets his daughter, Alicia, Tuesday at the Pope passenger terminal. Fifteen members from the 3rd **APS** returned to Pope from a six-month deployment to Camp Bastion, Afghanistan.

Above far right: Patsy Carson, Mayor of Erwin, N.C. celebrates the return of ifteen members from the 3rd Aerial Port Squadron at the passenger terminal Tuesday.

Right: Savannah Pinnette places a hat on her father, Staff Sgt. Nicholas Pinnete, 3rd Aerial Port Squadron, at the passenger terminal Tuesday.

Far right: Staff Sgt. John **Edwards, 3rd Aerial Port** Squadron, greets his son, Luke, at the passenger terminal Tuesday.